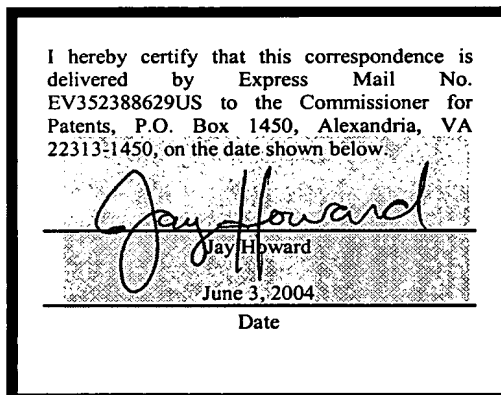




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In re Application of: Edward J. Stashluk, Jr. et al.
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Title: ***METHOD AND SYSTEM USING RETURN LABELS
WITH DYNAMICALLY GENERATED MULTIPLE
DATAPOINT CODING***

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Dear Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to the initial review of the application referenced above by Edward J. Stashluk, Jr., et al. entitled "***Method and System Using Return Labels with Dynamically Generated Multiple Datapoint Coding***", filed September 10, 2003, please amend the application as follows: